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SEATTLE CELEBRATES CHONGQING

# Seattle Celebrates Chongqing



## **THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

*has produced this book of photographs to further document the cultural exchange with our Confucius Institute partner in China and Seattle's sister city, Chongqing. It demonstrates our shared commitment with our partners in China to advance Chinese language study and appreciation of Chinese culture through our programs.*

*This year, 2015, THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON celebrated Confucius Institute Day with demonstrations and performances of art and culture from Chongqing, China. Chongqing's Song & Dance Troupe, Sichuan-Opera House, Chinese Orchestra Troupe, Acrobatic Arts Troupe and artisans all performed in the celebration at Chief Sealth International High School, home of the Confucius Institute (CIWA) Education Center.*

*Attendees of all ages from the entire community witnessed exquisite performances and explored Chinese heritage through art, making this an unsurpassed cultural experience in Seattle. We gratefully acknowledge the sponsorship by the Ministry of Culture of the People's Republic of China and our cosponsors in Seattle, The Seattle-Chongqing Sister City Association and Seattle-Chinese Garden, and thank them along with the organizers, supporters, and implementation units for sharing these exciting talents.*



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## Hosting Annual Confucius Day

Chief Sealth International High School student volunteers helped give out programs and distributed take-out Chinese food to visiting performers from Chongqing as they got ready for the show.







### **ARTISAN DEMONSTRATIONS**

*Sugar Painting attracted attention and produced intricate, beautifully designed art patterns right on site. Bamboo filaments woven with quality silk into Liangping Bamboo Curtains were displayed.*







*An artisan worked on Sichuan Embroidery, another beautiful craft demonstrated at Confucius Institute Day. Masterpieces of Sugar Painting were admired, sold and even tasted.*







### **CHONGQING IMPRESSION PHOTOGRAPH EXHIBITION**

*High quality exhibited photographs reflected the natural scenery, cultural customs and charm of the historical city of Chongqing, and viewers responded to this rare experience.*









Let the  
show begin!



*Intricate make-up was applied as performers transformed into characters they would portray on stage.*



















*Chongqing's Song and Dance Troupe, Sichuan-Opera House, Chinese Orchestra Troupe, and Acrobatic Arts Troupe all performed in a program filled with dazzling music, stories, surprising physical and athletic feats, and graceful dance and movement.*







*The host speakers alternated moderation in Chinese and English languages. They introduced the Artistic Director for the traveling company from Chongqing, the Principal of Chief Sealth International High School, and Confucius Institute of the State of Washington Directors, who all addressed the audience.*





*The dramatic performance and friendly reception capped off an evening to remember. It was both inspiring and educational, a chance to experience culture and connection. It was truly a celebration of Chongqing in Seattle!*









*The evening closed with a gathering of the players from both Chongqing and Seattle to acknowledge once more this powerful international cultural exchange.*

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